



Springfield Primary Academy





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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a real pleasure welcoming the children back to school this week, and even more pleasing to see smiling happy faces on the children.

The removal of bubbles and staggered starts has led to the return of 'Wake-up, Shake-up' with Mr Kundrai on the playground every morning at 8.30am. This is a great way to support those parents who have to drop off children at different schools in the morning.

I would like to thank parents who have been supporting our end of day dismissal procedure. We appreciate the difficulties with only having one gate for key stage two and will continue to work on making this time of day as quick and stress free as possible.

To support safeguarding procedures and improve punctuality all doors will be locked promptly at 8.55am. Staff on gate duty will be able to talk to parents at this time, but they will not be able to admit children as they will miss their registration mark and parents may be contacted requesting a reason for absence. Please support us by bringing your child to school on time, every day.

During the coffee mornings for attendance and MacMillan Cancer Support, we will also be offering groups of parents the chance to look around our new building and observe the environment and facilities the children in Early Years, Year 5 and Year 6 are working in.

Kindest Regards
Ms Taylor
Head of School

Attendance for WC 06.09.21

Whole School		
2019/2020	2020/2021	2021 to date
93.7	92.6	92.7

Our attendance target is 96%

Class	Percentage
Nursery	
R Inkpen	
R McKee	
1 Donaldson	100%
1 Murphy	91.1%
2 Bloom	82.5%
2 Hoffman	88.3%
3 Fine	99.1%
3 Rauf	95.6%
4 Morpurgo	100%
4 Pullman	84.8%
4 Strong	96.0%
5 Blackman	81.9%
5 Boyce	92.6%
5 Zephaniah	93.9%
6 Dhami	94.0%
6 Gavin	97.4%
6 Naidoo	94.2%

If your child is displaying Coronavirus symptoms, please do not send them to school. Call the school office as soon as possible to inform us and then book a PCR test using the link below.

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

Other members of the household will not need to isolate unless symptomatic



HIGH TEMPERATURE



NEW PERSISTENT COUGH



LOSS OF SMELL



LOSS OF TASTE

PE KITS

All children should be wearing PE kits to school on their designated PE day.

PE kit should be shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms with a white t-shirt. Children should wear their school sweatshirt with their PE kit and remove it during physical activity.

Earrings should not be worn to school on PE days.

Monday	Y2 & Y3
Tuesday	Y1 & Y4
Wednesday	Y6 & Y5

MacMillan Coffee Morning

MacMillan Cancer Support, provides reassurance, respite and support to thousands of families affected by cancer. At Springfield Primary Academy, we choose to support MacMillan Cancer Support by hosting an annual coffee morning in September.

We are asking staff and families to donate cakes to school in the week beginning 20th September.

Parents and Carers are then invited to join us on Friday 24th September in the hall of our new building, where we will be selling drinks and cakes to raise money for MacMillan.



Catering Update

Thank you for your patience relating to school meals. We have worked extremely hard to find a provider that uses community acceptable halal meat and can also provide the quality and variety that we have become accustomed to.

The new contract will begin after the October half term and until that date we will continue to serve a tasty and healthy vegetarian only menu.

Contact Details

It is essential that we have current contact details for parents/carers. If you, or one of the named contacts for your child have updated email addresses or telephone numbers please contact the school office on 0121 464 3618 and inform us as soon as possible.

Dates for your Diary

- 16th September** – Attendance coffee morning
- 20th – 24th September** – Donate cakes for MacMillan coffee morning
- 24th September** – Join us in the hall for drinks and cakes
- 22nd October** – Break up for Half Term
- 1st November** – Return to school
- 24th November** – Flu immunisations
- 17th December** – Break up for Christmas
- 10th January 2022** – School photographer

Attendance Strategy

Our overall school attendance remained significantly below the National average last academic year.

Each year we set a target of 96%. In order to support achieving this, there will be a strong focus on attendance and punctuality this year.

Thank you to the parents who met with Mr Rigby, Miss Holdcroft (from REAch2) and myself in July. We have taken your comments and created a strategy to improve attendance at Springfield.

Please join us for a coffee morning next Thursday where we will share our strategy and gratefully receive your comments and suggestions.